## SENATE BILL 1896 By Jackson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, relative to prohibiting housing of state inmates in uncertified facilities.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-8-104(a), is amended by deleting the language:

If a county facility is not certified or provisionally certified, the county must meet the additional requirements of this section to be eligible for the compensation provided in § 41-8-106.

and substituting instead the language:

If a county facility is provisionally certified, the county must meet the additional requirements of this section to be eligible for the compensation provided in § 41-8-106. The commissioner is prohibited from contracting with any county facility that is not certified.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, and shall apply to all contracts entered into on or after such date, the public welfare requiring it.